

#### ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A device and method for locking an object to a tree. The device includes an eyebolt. The eyebolt is set into the tree proximate the object to be protected. A protective bracket is placed over both the eyebolt and the object. A hole is disposed in the protective bracket that aligns with the head of the eyebolt when the protective bracket is placed over the eyebolt. A lock is provided having an elongated body that extends into the hole in the protective bracket and into the eye of the eyebolt. The lock therefore interconnects the protective bracket to the eyebolt and prevents the protective bracket from being removed.